

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claims 1 through 29, and add claims 30 through 33, as follows:

(Claims 1 through 29 are cancelled).

1 --30. (New) A multi-axis hinge arrangement, comprising:

2 a plurality of spaced-apart, torsionally stiff connecting arms;

3 a first hinge part;

4 a second hinge part comprising a resilient area and a transmitting region interposed
5 between at least one of said connecting arms and said resilient area; and

6 a plurality of bending regions transferring energy between said resilient area and said
7 at least one of said connecting arms, while joining each of said connecting arms to both of said first
8 hinge part and said second hinge part as said bending regions accommodate rotation of said first
9 hinge part and said second hinge part relative to said connecting arms between two arcuately distinct
10 stable positions.

1 --31. (New) The multi-axis hinge arrangement of claim 30, comprising a plurality of
2 resilient areas distinct from said resilient area provided on at least one of said first and second hinge
3 parts between said plurality of said bending regions.

1 --32. (New) A multi-axis hinge arrangement, comprising:

2 a plurality of spaced-apart, torsionally stiff connecting arms;

3 a first hinge part separated by said connecting arms from second hinge part, said first
4 hinge part and second hinge part exhibiting a plurality of arcuately distinct stable positions;

5 said first hinge part comprised of a resilient area storing energy imparted by at least
6 one of said connecting arms when said hinge arrangement is activated and a transmitting region
7 intermediate at least one of said bending regions, transmitting force between said at least one of said
8 connecting arms and said resilient area; and

9 a plurality of bending regions enabling transfer of energy between said connecting
10 arms, said first hinge part and said second hinge part while said bending regions join said connecting
11 arms to both of said first hinge part and said second hinge part as said bending regions accommodate
12 pivoting movement of said first hinge part and said second hinge part relative to said connecting
13 arms between said stable positions.

1 --33. (New) The multi-axis hinge arrangement of claim 32, wherein said hinge arrangement
2 has an open hinge stable position and a closed hinge stable position, said connecting arms supplying
3 distortion forces to said bending regions at intermediate positions between said open hinge stable
4 position and said closed hinge stable position.